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LOCAL NEWS.

THURSDAY, NOV. 5, 1896.

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### Announcement to Merchants.

To the Merchants of Eastern North Carolina:

We announce that we are now ready to fill your orders for mattresses, having a large stock on hand, and all made in the latest Boston shape. We are the largest manufacturers in the State, and do claim to give you the best Double Cotton Top Mattress, in fancy and plain blue ticking, ever offered before. We have special freight arrangements to all points. Orders filled the day they are received. Order early, as they will be higher.

Very truly,  
HALE BROS.

Halifax, N. C.

### Now For Planting.

Winter Cabbage Plants—Early Jersey Wakefield and Charleston Wakefield—Price 20c per 100, \$1.50 per 1,000. Also Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Lilacs. Fruit and ornamental trees, etc. Catalogue free.

ALLEN WARREN & SON,  
Greenville, N. C.

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### Notice—Stray Mule.

On 29th of October there came to my house one mule colored mare mule. Owner can get same by paying charges and cost of this advertisement.

ELIAS DRAUGHAN.

### Cotton Seed Wanted.

I will pay highest cash prices for 15,000 Bushels of Cotton Seed. Also I have meal and hulls for sale.

R. J. MADRY.

Scotland Neck, N. C.

40,000 No 3 Heart Cypress Shingles for sale.

10 S H J. S. BOWERS & CO.

WANTED.—150 Car Loads Cotton Seed.

Jos. Stern.

Dry Goods and merchandise of every kind, are cheaper than we have ever known them. Call and see for yourself.

N. B. JOSEY.

### A DANDY THING TO SELL.

I have been doing so well this summer selling combination dippers that I think it is my duty to tell others about it. I have not made as much money as some I read about, but I never make less than \$3, and \$5 a day; the dipper can be used as a fruit jar filler, a plain dipper, a fine strainer, a funnel, a strainer funnel, a sick room warming pan, and a pint measure. These eight different uses makes the dipper such a necessary article that it sells at nearly every house, as it is so cheap. You can get a sample by sending, as I did, 18 two-cent stamps to pay postage, etc., to W. H. Baird & Co., Station A, Pittsburg, Pa., and they will mail you a dipper, and you can go right to work. Anyone can make \$3 or \$4 a day anywhere.

A READER.

### MARRY THIS GIRL QUICK.

I saw in your paper that a 13 year old boy made \$1.25 the first hour he worked selling the Perfection Metal Tip Lampwick. I ordered a sample and went to work and the first week I cleared \$10, the second week I cleared \$15. I expect to run up to \$25 a week in the near future, as the Perfection Metal Tip Lampwick makes such a beautiful white light and does away with smoky chimneys and bad odor and saves oil, it is easy to sell. If you wish to try it send 13 two-cent stamps to Miss A. M. Fritz, Station A, St. Louis Mo., and she will send you sample outfit. This is a good way to make money around home.

MISS TINA W.

### New and Pretty Silverware

We have just received the largest and hand-somest shipment of silverware we ever offered to our customers. Handsome Pickle Dishes; Orange, Coffee and Berry Spoons; Oyster, Fruit and Meat Forks; Tomato, Jelly and Cake Servers; Sugar Tongs; Cream, Gravy, Oyster and Soup Ladles, with many other pretty things.

E. T. WHITEHEAD & CO.

Wanted, 1000 bales cotton by Nov. 1st. Will pay highest price.

N. B. JOSEY.

New Goods! New Goods!! Our Fall and Winter Stock is ready for your inspection.

N. B. JOSEY.

### NORFOLK MARKET.

REPORTED WEEKLY BY

SAVAGE, SON & CO.,  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,

NORFOLK, VA., Nov. 4, 1896.

COTTON QUIET.

Good Middling, 7 1/2

St. Middling, 7 1/2

S. E. Middling, 7 1/2

Middling, 7 1/2

PEANUTS STEADY.

Fancy, 2 1/2

Str. Prime, 2 1/2

Crude, 2 1/2

Spanish, 2 1/2

B. E. Peas per bag \$1.50.

Eggs per doz.

### THE SOCIAL SWIM.

Coming and Going Every Week.

Mess. Gunter & Goodrich of Enfield were in town to-day.

Mr. W. T. Vaughan went to Rocky Mount last week to sell tobacco.

Mr. W. T. Shaw of Weldon has been here on a visit to his father this week.

Miss Mary Allsbrook is on a visit to relatives in Tarboro.

Mr. O. Williams, Jr., of Tarboro was in town Saturday.

Miss Lelia Shields left this morning for Salem, N. C., where she has gone to visit Mrs. J. A. Vance.

Mr. C. R. Walsh, of the Cockade City Marble Works, of Petersburg, Va., was here a day this week.

Miss Pattie Cotten has returned to Portsmouth. She was accompanied by Mrs. Edmondson.

Mr. J. Frank Brinkley has moved his family from Halifax this week. Scotland Neck is glad to welcome them back.

Mrs. I. V. Garabaldi of Halifax spent last week on a visit here to the family of Dr. J. R. Pope.

Capt. G. S. White and bride returned last Friday after spending two days on a trip to Philadelphia and other cities north.

Mrs. J. M. Morrisette who has been on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Timberlake, who lives near Youngsville, returned home Friday.

Mr. Joseph Cohen spent Sunday in Tarboro. His father, Mr. M. Cohen, of Baltimore, returned with him, and will soon come here to live. Mr. Cohen has rented Mr. George Smith's new house on 9th street.

Mr. Joseph Turner, who has been general manager for the North Carolina Lumber Co., at Tillery, has resigned his position and returned to New York. All who did business with him or met him socially here liked him very much.

W. W. Kitchen Elected.

The latest news from Roxboro gives W. W. Kitchen a majority over Settle for Congress. Scotland Neck rejoices at the victory of her talented son.

### Death of Mr. Willie Lawrence.

Mr. Willie Lawrence, youngest son of the late Thos. Lawrence, died last Thursday night, aged 22 years. He had been working in the lumber woods in Edgecombe near Knight's where he contracted malaria. He came home well he thought, was taken sick on Monday and died of hemorrhagic fever on Thursday night. His remains were interred Friday afternoon.

The sudden death came as a severe shock and distressing grief to his people, who have the sympathy of the entire community.

### To Correspondents.

THE COMMONWEALTH is glad to get the news from all parts of the county, but we insist that we cannot publish anonymous letters. We are grateful to our friends for news letters, but we must know who sends them.

We received a news letter from Aurelian Springs giving account of Childrens Day at New Hope, but as no name was signed to it we cannot print it.

Friends, when you are kind enough to send us the news, we wish to print it but we must know who sends it. We do not want especially to print your name, but we want to know who sends the news. Please remember this and we will print the news you send unless it is crowded out by something ahead of it, which is not often the case.

### Disgraceful Conduct.

It has been frequent talk for the past few days that some persons have repeatedly gone at night to the boarding house of the female academy and engaged in very ugly behavior. They have made cat calls around the premises and rattled the front door and otherwise made themselves annoying.

The English language is rather too poor to furnish us with epithets sufficiently condemnatory of such conduct. It is in the highest degree ungentlemanly for any one to take this method of annoying innocent and respectable ladies. Everybody in the community knows that while Mr. W. E. Whitmore, the chief of police, is down the street at night attending to his duties as a town officer, there is no male person on the academy premises. Miss Lena Smith, the Misses Ballou and the boarding students have been greatly annoyed by the conduct of the toughs who have passed about the premises and thus sought to frighten them.

Such conduct is mean and low and contemptible, and everybody in Scotland Neck except that ilk is heartily ashamed of it. The offenders against the peace and quiet of one of our institutions of learning ought to be brought to justice. And the offense becomes doubly reprehensible when committed against ladies. Such conduct merits as its punishment the confinement in a common jail the perpetrators of the deed, and we believe that the universal sentiment of the town and community would heartily commend such a sentence could the offenders be brought to justice. We are heartily ashamed to chronicle such an occurrence in Scotland Neck and hope to hear of no more such conduct.

### THE ROCKY MOUNT FAIR.

GREAT CROWDS OF PEOPLE.

A Prosperous Town.

The Rocky Mount fair was held last week, beginning on Tuesday and closing on Friday. There were good crowds on Wednesday and Thursday, the crowd on Thursday numbering perhaps four thousand. The agricultural exhibit was good, showing fine farm products of choice variety. The live stock exhibit was not very good. The ladies' department showed great taste in the display and the exhibits were very pretty, but this department was not very full.

The Rocky Mount Cotton Mills had a nice exhibit which attracted considerable attention.

The Tar River Lumber Co. also had an exhibit of turned work and mantels, which made a good showing.

The Rocky Mount telephone exhibit was something new and was attractive.

There was considerable horse-racing and many of the races were said to be good. The lovers of the race-track had much amusement and the great crowd looked and enjoyed it too.

There was the usual number of fakirs. They made the noise for the fair, took pictures of all who were concerned about looks and told the fortunes of those who were more anxious about the future.

We have always thought that the fakir institution ought to be excluded from the grounds of a country fair, and we are very clear in our conviction now that the "Midway" business at Rocky Mount was a little too tough for a country fair.

There were many pleasant reunions of old friends, which is one of the chief attractions of a country fair. Some old soldiers who had not seen each other in more than thirty years were the happiest persons on the grounds. They talked over "the days of battle" and lived again in a few hours the years of long ago.

### ROCKY MOUNT'S PROGRESS.

The fair is nothing new to the Rocky Mount people, for they have kept it up now for many years; but the good progress which the town is making is a matter of special importance. While there has been no "boom" progress in the business of the town, Rocky Mount for the past few years has made such marked and steady progress that it is now considered one of the liveliest towns in Eastern Carolina. The chief sources of its prosperity are the tobacco markets, cotton mills, and the railroad shops.

Rocky Mount is now the second tobacco market in the State, and her tobacco men are amongst the cleverest in the land. The people are generally clever and show that courtesy and attention to visitors and strangers that always make one think well of them and feel like going again.

We noticed a test of the new fire engine, which was entirely satisfactory. Few towns of the size of Rocky Mount have as good protection against fire. The length of the hose for the new fire engine is 900 feet and will throw a good stream of water 300 feet from the nozzle. The engine can be fired and ready to throw water in six minutes. Besides the new fire engine the town has a hook and ladder company managed by the colored people, which renders good service.

The churches and schools of Rocky Mount vouchsafe moral and intellectual growth in equal pace with other things; two newspapers liberally patronized by the business men keep the questions of public interest before the people; and all things considered, the town has a bright future to which the good people may well look with hopeful expectancy.

### Smothered in Cotton Seed.

A most distressing accident occurred at Hobgood Thursday of last week.

Little Ralph Leggett was smothered in a pile of cotton seed. The other children were at school and at dinner time Dr. Leggett went from his office to the house and his wife made inquiry for Ralph. She thought that perhaps he had been to the office or perhaps to where the other children were at school. She knew she had seen him about 11 o'clock. In passing the barn as he was going to the house, Dr. Leggett called some dogs out and shut the door, but saw nothing of the little boy and did not then know he was missing. When he learned at the house that the child was missing he searched for him, and after awhile looked in the barn where there was a pile of cotton seed. Upon entering, the child's feet were seen sticking up through the cotton seed. The children in playing there had made a deep hole in the cotton seed and little Ralph playing there alone had fallen in headforemost and had smothered. Perhaps if Dr. Leggett had seen him as he closed the barn door on his way to dinner he might have saved him. The body was not cold when it was found, but it could not be resuscitated. It was a most heart-rending accident and the stricken parents have the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

Others have found health, vigor and vitality in Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it surely has power to help you also. Why not try it?

### PEDESTAL FOR A NOTED STATUE.

The Base of Thomas Jefferson's Statue Furnished From Norfolk.

The statue of Thomas Jefferson in the University of Virginia will soon be mounted on a new pedestal. Shortly after the loss of the original pedestal which was destroyed by fire that recently occurred in the University building, a commission to furnish a new one was awarded to The Couper Marble Works of this city, in competition over several other American and foreign dealers. The new pedestal is about completed and will be forwarded to the University to-morrow. Those who have inspected the work speak highly of it, and it is considered as being an improvement over the original. It is oval in form; weighs three thousand pounds, and bears an inscription, in raised letters, as follows:

THOMAS JEFFERSON,

AUTHOR

OF THE DECLARATION OF

AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

OF THE STATUE OF VIRGINIA

FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, AND

FATHER OF THE UNIVERSITY

OF VIRGINIA.

BORN APRIL 2, 1743, O. S.,

DIED

JULY 4, 1826.

—Norfolk Virginian, Oct. 20th.

### "Our Girls In Camp."

An interesting comedy will be given at Temperance Hall by the Elocution pupils of Vine Hill Academy, Monday, November 9th, at 8 p. m.

Go and hear a good play and help in a good cause. The proceeds will go to pay the debt on the academy desks. Admission 25c.—Reserved Seats 35c.

### County Commissioners in Session.

The county commissioners were in regular session in Halifax Monday.

The following accounts were allowed:

J A Waz, making coffin	2 50
Emry & Co, goods	17 70
J F Brinkley, recording orders	9 75
Dallas Austin, guarding jail	4 00
W M Crump, 72 ballot boxes	108 00
J L Dickens, conveying pris	2 50
C R Reid, guarding jail	4 00
W M Crump, 72 ballot boxes	108 00
C R Reid, goods for county	2 20
W B Tillery, "	98 22
A J Jackson, shackles for pris	3 00
B I Allsbrook, supt co fence	5 00
M H Clark, buying for jail, c h	15 00
C H B Howerton, build bridge	38 50
R G Reid, jail account	133 40
Emry & Pierce goods	10 97
H S Harrison, burying pauper	2 00
W W Rosser, serving notices	3 00
J W Gupton, building bridge	120 00
D C Fenner, guard jail	5 00
N M Lockhart, transcribing	984 96
W H Buffalo, arresting pris	10 10
Everett Waddy Co, 1 record book	6 50
L L Staten, draw at bridge	150 00
T B Wilcox, guarding jail	12 00
J H Fenner, work	1 00
M H Clark, hauling coal	43 70
L D Browning, supt co home	15 55
Wilcox Bros, goods	7 20
W E Whitmore, serving notice	22 20
C W Dunn, "	65 00
Wilcox Bros, coal for co	15 00
T C Newsome, repairing bridge	9 65
C H Hale, goods	5 40
K E Kilpatrick, serving notice	3 10
J F Cullom, "	3 10
P N Stainback, goods	33 30
S J Clark, serving notice	4 80
A H Green, "	18 00
W F Parker, lumber	6 27
Warren Hartman, 2 coffins	4 00
W M Cohen, goods	23 68
Dallas Austin, work at jail	1 66
W G Purnell, conveying prisoners	2 00
Marrells Printing House	1 50
T W Collins, ptg. ballot-boxes	4 00
W B Shaw, work at court house	1 60
R W Brown, 4 year's service	25 00
Allowed School Districts No 10	colored \$60.00
Allowed School Districts No 9	colored \$60.00
Allowed School Districts No 19	colored \$25.00

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Cures CORNS, BUNIONS AND WARTS

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BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. T. WHITEHEAD & CO.

### Vine Hill Female Academy.

INCORPORATED 1812.

A BOARDING & DAY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

FULL CORPS OF TEACHERS.

Careful instruction in every department. Music department under a skilful musician from New England Conservatory of Music. Elocution and Physical Culture under a student from New England Conservatory College of Oratory and Emerson School of Oratory, Boston. Terms very moderate. For further particulars address the principal,

MISS LENA H. SMITH,

Scotland Neck, N. C.

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## ENFIELD WAREHOUSE,

ENFIELD, N. C.,

For the sale and purchase  
of Leaf  
Tobacco,

NOW READY FOR THE 1896 CROP.

We have a good Corps of liberal buyers with orders sufficient to take, at its full market value, all tobacco that may be placed on our market. We have a commodious, well lighted and arranged WAREHOUSE for showing fine tobacco to the best possible advantage.

Large orders, ample capital, long experience enables us to guarantee at all times

THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR EVERY PILE OF TOBACCO PLACED ON OUR FLOOR.

SO LOAD UP and drive straight to the Enfield Warehouse and you will make no mistake.

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